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Brink, Bridget A

From: Recinos, Helen G
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2003 9:46 AM
To: Brink, Bridget A(P)
Cc: Ewing, Elizabeth A
Subject: RE: P-Pahor meeting

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Bridget -- On Pahor visit generally, I have sent you an article on the other system from Slovenia's official press agency. Does mention ICC/Art 98, with Pahor saying that he strongly supports the ICC and that this is an area where Slovene and US views are different.

Am attaching below the reporting cable sent in last week by Emb Ljubljana on the discussions (NOT negotiations) held 2 June w/GOS on Art 98 by the interagency team led by T Special Advisor Patti McNerney.

Please let me know if you need anything else on this or other issues. Helen

-----Original Message-----

From: Brink, Bridget A
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2003 10:47 AM
To: Recinos, Helen G(Main State)
Subject: FW: P-Pahor meeting

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Helen: Do you have the latest on this by chance? thanks.

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From: Brink, Bridget A
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2003 10:41 AM
To: Ewing, Elizabeth A(Navy Hill)
Subject: P-Pahor meeting

Elizabeth: The BM for P's meeting with Pahor says that Grossman should raise the importance of concluding an Article 98 agreement. Where do negotiations stand on that issue? Thanks.

Helen G Recinos 06/10/2003 09:34:57 AM From DB/Inbox: Helen G Recinos

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Subject: ART. 98 TEAM VISIT - SLOVENIA TO FOLLOW EU LEAD

Ref: A) SECSTATE 142450, B) LJUBLJANA 0543, C) SECSTATE 146506, D) LJUBLJANA 0568

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1.5(b) and (d).

1. (C) SUMMARY and INTRODUCTION:

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Meeting participants are listed in para 7.

Media reaction to the team's visit reported ref D. END
SUMMARY and INTRODUCTION.

The Message

3. (C) The Delegation members repeated the same basic message to all their interlocutors. They highlighted the importance the USG places on signing Article 98 Agreements both before and after the 01 July ASPA deadline. They emphasized that Article 98 agreements do not undermine the ICC because they are foreseen in the Rome Statute. While the US supports the principles of the ICC and respects the rule of law, it opposes the Rome Statute, which does not provide adequate safeguards. These agreements are not intended to provide impunity; they are "non-surrender" agreements, not "non-prosecution" agreements. We will prosecute where appropriate war crimes and crimes against humanity in our own courts, and we also support the prosecution of such crimes internationally as demonstrated by our support for ad hoc tribunals. However, the USG strives, as a non-party to the Court, to protect its citizens from potential abuse of the ICC such as politicized prosecutions, noting recent cases filed under Belgium's Universal Jurisdiction Law. They stressed that Article 98 agreements are consistent with the Rome Statute, and a growing number of states are agreeing with the U.S. by signing 98 Agreements.

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7. (U) Participants:

Slovenia

Dr. Dimitrij Rupel, Minister of Foreign Affairs
Ambassador Borut Mahnic, State Undersecretary, Department
for International Legal Affairs, MFA
Ms. Milena Smit, Head of Office for the Council of Europe
and Human Rights, Department for Multilateral Affairs, MFA
Ms. Andreja Lang, Advisor to the Government, MoJ
Mr. Samo Drobez, Advisor to the Government, MoI
Mr. Darko Skubic, Advisor to the Government, MoD
Mr. Janez Slabe, Advisor to the Minister, MoD
Mr. Marjan Cencen, U.S. Desk Officer, Department for North
America, MFA
Ms. Ana Petric, Department for International Legal Affairs,
MFA.

U.S.

H.E. Johnny Young, U.S. Ambassador to Slovenia
Ms. Patricia McNerney, Senior Advisor, Office of the Under
Secretary for Arms Control and International Security,
Department of State
Ms. Joan Corbett, Senior Advisor, Bureau of Political
Military Affairs, Department of State
Col. Al Ringgenberg, Attorney Advisor, Department of
Defense
Mr. Jed Royal, Foreign Affairs Specialist, Office of the
Secretary of Defense, Policy, Department of Defense

Mr. Renick Smith, Special Assistant, Office of the Under
Secretary for Arms Control and International Security,
Department of State

Mr. Dean J. Haas, Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy
Ljubljana

Ms. Catherine Kay, Pol/Econ Chief, U.S. Embassy Ljubljana

Ms. Molly Montgomery, Political Officer, U.S. Embassy
Ljubljana

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END COMMENT.

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None

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